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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Box No. I Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) (Continuation of item 1.b of the first sheet)

1. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

   a. type of material

   [X] a sequence listing

   [ ] table(s) related to the sequence listing

   b. format of material

   [X] in written format

   [X] in computer readable form

   c. time of filing/furnishing

   [ ] contained in the international application as filed

   [ ] filed together with the international application in computer readable form

   [X] furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purpose of search

2. [ ] In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

3. Additional comments:

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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:

3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

see additional sheet

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.

2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

3. ☒ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

1, 3, 11-21 (completely); 2, 4-10 (partially) (inventions 1, 3 and 9)

4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1, 4-12, 15-21 (partially)

Use of the Val174Ala polymorphism in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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2. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -26A>G polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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3. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially); 13-14 (completely)

Use of an allele of the -118A>C polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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4. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -309T>C polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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5. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -878A>G polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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6. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -903C>T polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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7. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -1054G>T polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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8. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -1215T>A polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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9. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the -1558T>C polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.2, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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10. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the T2122G polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.3, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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11. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the C2158T polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.3, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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12. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

Use of an allele of the A2525C polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.3, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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13. claims: 1-10, 15-21 (partially)

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

Use of an allele of the G2651A polymorphism of SEQ.ID.NO.3, which is in linkage disequilibrium with the Val174Ala polymorphism, in human OATP-C in statin therapy, based on an effect of said polymorphism on statin pharmacokinetics in humans.

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